

KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON WOMEN
LINCOLN TRAIL Area Development District
Regional Meeting Notes
Elizabethtown Community and Technical College
Elizabethtown, Kentucky
October 7, 2004

Region Served: Lincoln Trail Area, to include Breckinridge, Grayson, Hardin, Larue, Meade, Marion, Nelson and Washington. Representatives from Grayson, Hardin, Larue and Nelson were present at 10/7/04 Regional Meeting.

Guest Speakers: Ms. Glenda R. Woods, Executive Director KCW and Ms. Ashley D. Bratcher, Project Manager KCW

Total Number of Participants: 26

Committee Name: ECONOMIC SUFFICIENCY

Committee Members present: Reagan Barnum, Dot Hansen, Krista Levee, Gloria Whitford

Committee Priority Topics:

Priorities were recorded word-for-word from the flip charts and have not been edited.

1. Transportation (for low income/work shifts 24/7, ? rural areas)
2. Financial Management
3. Retraining Programs for Women in Transitions
 - a. Relationship transitions
 - b. Job transitions
 - c. Aging transitions
 - d. Need for shelter

Committee Name: EDUCATION

Committee Members present: Chairperson, Nikki Ellis; Note Taker, Beth Roberts; Gail Basham, Michelle McGuffin, Martie Rose, Kendra Stewart, Vicki Thompson

Committee Priority Topics:

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1. Science & Math Education for girls (camps, science fairs, etc.)
2. Financial education (credit, savings, investing)
3. Domestic Violence (teens, etc.)
4. Education on how to survive without a man (military, disabled, widowed, divorced, incarcerated, etc.)

Ideas for priorities:

Recruit vols. Thru sororities, women's clubs, education majors, educators, churches, etc.

Model successful programs (ECC, Springhaven, Ft. Knox)

Partner with other agencies, ex. Challenger Center

Job Shadowing

Career Fairs

Committee Name: EQUITY**Committee Members present:** Nancy Addington, Fran Arnold, Paula DumontCommittee Priority Topics:*Priorities were recorded word-for-word from the flip charts and have not been edited.*

1. Solicit semi-annual reports from Title IX committees for LTADD school systems.
2. Achieve tax equity (not based on marital status)
3. Create funding sources to support legal challenges.
4. Assure that all KY legislation prohibits discrimination against all groups, age, disability, gender, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, marital status ...
5. Require data collection – transparent that reflects gender, age, race, ethnicity.
6. Generate a regional report based upon census data specific to LTADD. Components: education levels, income, marital status, ethnicity, health, household composition, poverty levels.
7. Baseline – recommend goals.
8. Advocate funding of grant writer for KCW (*KY Commission on Women*) with focus on education and leadership development for women.
9. Advocate permanent cabinet level position for KCW (*KY Commission on Women*).

Committee Name: HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**Committee Members present:** Judy Beam, Karen Blaiklock, Marchell Hill, Sandy McClain, Monica Ruehling, Deb Salsman, Ruth Ellen StanleyCommittee Priority Topics:*Priorities were recorded word-for-word from the flip charts and have not been edited.*

1. Women's physical and mental health
 - a. Insurance – limitations, healthcare assistance needed
 - b. Self-image – role modeling, nutrition and other health habits
 - c. Educate women on healthcare options – “Free” clinic, health dept.
 - d. Grants – funding for screenings
2. Domestic Violence Prevention
 - a. Self-Image & Self-Worth
 - b. Mammograms/breast cancer awareness for every woman in Springhaven
 - c. Complete physicals – available through health depts.?
3. Aging
 - a. Eldercare
 - b. Physical check ups
 - c. Overpopulation in nursing homes

Committee name: LEADERSHIP**Committee Members present:** Portia Petties, Sue Young

Priority Topics were not recorded at this time; priorities to be determined at October 22, 2004 meeting.